

Table 10. Underground Natural Gas Storage - by Season, 1997-2000

(Volumes in Billion Cubic Feet)

Year, Season and Month	Natural Gas in Underground Storage at End of Period			Change In Working Gas from Same Period Previous Year		Storage Activity		
	Base Gas	Working Gas	Total	Volume	Percent	Injections	Withdrawals	Net Withdrawals ^a
March 1997	4,345	990	5,336	232	30.7	131	285	155
1997 Refill Season								
April	4,342	1,051	5,393	196	23.1	205	146	-59
May	4,340	1,365	5,704	202	17.5	362	41	-321
June	4,357	1,731	6,088	202	13.2	407	42	-365
July	4,356	2,017	6,372	119	6.3	361	78	-282
August	4,357	2,338	6,695	93	4.2	378	56	-322
September	4,360	2,672	7,033	67	2.6	380	44	-336
October	4,358	2,886	7,244	75	2.7	294	84	-210
Total	—	—	—	—	—	2,388	492	-1,896
1997-1998 Heating Season								
November	4,359	2,699	7,058	150	5.9	113	302	189
December	4,350	2,175	6,525	2	0.1	45	579	533
January	4,347	1,712	6,060	215	14.5	69	538	468
February	4,342	1,426	5,768	286	25.2	75	365	291
March	4,342	1,183	5,524	192	19.4	136	382	246
Total	—	—	—	—	—	438	2,165	1,727
1998 Refill Season								
April	4,339	1,386	5,725	334	31.9	280	80	-200
May	4,341	1,774	6,114	407	29.9	433	42	-391
June	4,335	2,114	6,449	381	22.1	379	52	-327
July	4,378	2,428	6,806	409	20.4	371	54	-317
August	4,340	2,698	7,038	358	15.4	336	58	-278
September	4,341	2,928	7,269	253	9.6	298	74	-224
October	4,342	3,191	7,533	302	10.6	308	46	-262
Total	—	—	—	—	—	2,405	407	-1,998
1998-1999 Heating Season								
November	4,344	3,155	7,499	453	16.9	137	168	31
December	4,326	2,730	7,056	554	25.5	83	519	436
January	4,327	2,094	6,421	381	22.2	55	678	623
February	4,312	1,792	6,104	372	26.2	62	395	333
March	^b 4,361	^b 1,430	5,792	246	20.7	84	381	297
Total	—	—	—	—	—	422	2,141	1,719
1999 Refill Season								
April	4,355	1,514	5,869	131	9.5	203	112	-91
May	4,346	1,847	6,192	72	4.0	380	43	-337
June	4,344	2,157	6,501	54	2.6	345	40	-306
July	4,350	2,390	6,740	-27	-1.1	303	78	-225
August	4,342	2,632	6,974	-66	-2.4	309	70	-238
September	4,360	2,884	7,245	-43	-1.5	352	42	-310
October	4,360	3,026	7,386	-165	-5.2	238	90	-148
Total	—	—	—	—	—	^R2,130	^R474	^R-1,656
1999-2000 Heating Season								
November (STIFS)	^E 4,360	^{RE} 2,989	^{RE} 7,349	^{RE} -166	^{RE} -5.3	NA	NA	^E 37
December (STIFS)	^E 4,360	^E 2,464	^E 6,824	^E -265	^E -9.7	NA	NA	^E 525

^a Negative numbers indicate the volume of injections in excess of withdrawals. Positive numbers indicate the volume of withdrawals in excess of injections.

^b Reflects one respondent's reclassification of natural gas in underground storage from working gas to base gas.

^R Revised Data.

^E Estimated Data.

^{RE} Revised Estimated Data.

NA Not Available.

— Not Applicable.

Notes: Data for 1997 and 1998 are final. All other data are preliminary unless otherwise noted. Estimates for the most recent two months are derived

from the Short-Term Integrated Forecasting System (STIFS). See Explanatory Note 7 of the *Natural Gas Monthly* for discussion of revision policy. Gas in storage at the end of a reporting period may not equal the quantity derived by adding or subtracting net injections or withdrawals during the period to the quantity of gas in storage at the beginning of the period. This is due to changes in the quantities of native gas included in base gas and/or losses in base gas due to migration from storage reservoirs. Totals may not equal sum of components because of independent rounding. Geographic coverage is the 50 States and the District of Columbia.

Sources: Form EIA-191, "Underground Natural Gas Storage Report," Form EIA-176, "Annual Report of Natural and Supplemental Gas Supply and Disposition," and STIFS.